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MUHAMMAD MUHESEN/AP

ARMED AND READY: Sunni fighters patrol the streets of Fallujah on Wednesday as fierce battles continued throughout Iraq. Marines attacked by land and air in a bid to regain control of this flashpoint city.

Fight for Fallujah Rages

Mosque compound bombed as Marines battle insurgents

FALLUJAH, IRAQ | U.S. Marines battled for control of this Sunni Muslim city Wednesday, calling in airstrikes against a mosque compound where witnesses said dozens were killed in six hours of fighting. Meanwhile, an anti-U.S. uprising led by a radical Shiite cleric raged for the fourth day in southern cities.

The mosque was hit by U.S. aircraft that launched a Hellfire missile at its minaret and dropped a 500-pound bomb on a wall surrounding the compound.

The U.S. military said insurgents were using the mosque for a military fire base.

Iraqi witnesses estimated 40 people were killed as they gathered for afternoon prayers. U.S. officials said no civilians died and American commanders gave conflicting reports of insurgent casualties.

The heavy fighting against the Sunni insurgency coincided again Wednesday with attacks on coalition forces in southern Iraq led by militiamen loyal to anti-American cleric Muqtada al-Sadr. For the first time Wednesday, Shiite militiamen battled Americans in the central city of Baqouba.

Since Sunday, 35 Americans, two other coalition soldiers and more than 230 Iraqis have been killed, not including those killed at the mosque. **BASSEM MROUE (AP)**

National Spotlight On Rice

WASHINGTON | Condoleezza Rice will provide a detailed account of the Bush administration's anti-terror actions before the 2001 attacks but won't offer a blow-by-blow rebuttal to former counterterror adviser Richard Clarke when she goes before the Sept. 11 commission.

Sean McCormack, spokesman for the National Security Council, said Rice planned a 20-minute opening statement to the bipartisan commission Thursday that will seek to make clear that the administration worked strenuously to protect America's interests.

Rice is not expected to offer an apology to Sept. 11 victims, as Clarke did during his testimony. And she won't seek to specifically counter his charges that the administration, and Rice in particular, did not consider al Qaeda an urgent priority before the attacks.

Rice's sworn, televised testimony before a national audience could have significant implications for President Bush's re-election campaign, which relies to a great extent on his national security credentials.

Commissioners plan to ask Rice pointed questions about what Clinton administration officials told her about terrorism.

Clarke says he gave Rice warnings in January 2001 but was repeatedly put off. Rice says Clarke merely presented a "set of ideas" that required a more comprehensive review. **HOPE YEN (AP)**



Rice

REAL-TIME RICE: Follow Condoleezza Rice's much-anticipated testimony before the 9/11 commission online starting at 9 a.m.: washingtonpost.com.

CRIME | No Safe Haven A report of a pounding noise coming from a field in the middle of the night led police in Fairfield, Iowa, to two men trying to crack open a safe that had been stolen from the Fairfield Elks Lodge, authorities said. Neal Ehrhardt Connelly,



20, and Martin Michael Box, 21, were arrested Monday on felony burglary charges. Police said they found the pair with a hammer, a pry bar and a flashlight in a field near a preschool. They recovered several thousand dollars. **(AP) EyeOpeners** | Page 2

EyeOpeners

BUSINESS

A Working Man

The Formosa Gardens restaurant in New Iberia, La., has an unusual worker manning the cash register: 2-year-old Gordon Tan. "He can do the credit card machine, too," said his mother, Tiffany Lei, who owns the restaurant with Gordon's father, Jason Tan. Gordon's father said the toddler can tell credit cards from debit cards. He swipes them and enters the four-digit code to complete the sale. When Gordon's not at the register, he's helping customers, The Daily Iberian reports. He knows the number assigned to each table, so he knows where to seat them, too. (AP)



BILL SMITH/THE DAILY IBERIAN/AP

PROCLAMATIONS In Good Spirits

Alabamans now have something to toast: The state has an official whiskey. The Alabama Senate voted 19-8 Tuesday to override Gov. Bob Riley's

veto of a resolution making Conecuh Ridge Fine Alabama Whiskey the "official state spirit." The Senate vote followed a similar override March 18 by the House. Riley spokesman Jeff Emerson said overriding the gover-

nor made no sense considering the financial problems facing the state. But state Sen. Pat Lindsey urged the Senate to override the governor's veto, saying, "I thought the resolution was harmless and humorous." (AP)

POLITICS

Naked Ambition

You might say Ken Hechler would like to see voters streaking to the polls. Hechler's new slogan to get people to register and vote: "Vote Naked!" The 89-year-old candidate for West Virginia secretary of state made the suggestion in an advertisement in the April 1 edition of Graffiti, a Charleston-based monthly tabloid. Hechler, who was secretary of state from 1985 to 2001, said Monday he made the ads "to demonstrate that I can speak the language of young people." The primary is May 11. (AP)

PHILANTHROPY Divine Wills

Monks in a St. Meinrad, Ind., monastery may have a harder time with their vows of poverty now that they've got \$26 million in spending money. Two women rewarded the hospitality of the Benedictine monks at the St. Meinrad Archabbey by leaving them \$13 million each in their wills, according to Archabbot Lambert Reilly. The monastery, which houses about 120 monks, was founded 150 years ago and operates a theology school for men studying for the Roman Catholic priesthood, and lay ministry studies. (AP)

FADS

Prize on the Eyes

Deborah Boer constantly has something in her eye — and she put it there on purpose. Boer is one of seven people to test out "Jewel Eye," the latest body art fad in the Netherlands. Jewels made of platinum, and shaped like a heart, star or circle are implanted in the conjunctiva, or the mucous membrane lining the front of the eyeball, Reuters reports. The



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Rotterdam-based group that pioneered the process says it has a waiting list of people seeking the surgery. (EXPRESS)

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In Brief

WASHINGTON

CIA: Audiotape Likely Came From Al Qaeda-Linked Figure

An audiotape from a shadowy terrorist linked to al Qaeda is "probably authentic," marking the first time Abu Musab al-Zarqawi has made a taped public statement, a CIA official said Wednesday. The 33-minute audiotape appeared Tuesday on a Web site known for distributing militant Islamic messages. In the message, the speaker said the best way to undermine U.S. policy in Iraq was to turn the country's religious communities against each other. (AP)

CAMP LEJEUNE, N.C.

Marine Cleared of Sabotage, Found Guilty on Drug Charges

A military jury Wednesday acquitted a Marine of charges he sabotaged his comrades' parachutes and caused three servicemen to get hurt during a training jump. But the jury convicted him on drug charges. Cpl. Clayton A. Chaffin, 28, of Columbus, Ohio, was convicted of soliciting to buy and use drugs, distributing cocaine and marijuana, and using marijuana. (AP)

WASHINGTON

Report: Native American Schools Not Safe Enough

American Indian children at government-run schools were entrusted to workers who had been convicted of child endangerment and manslaughter, investigators for the U.S. Department of the Interior say. The Bureau of Indian Affairs supports 187 schools, including 54 boarding schools and 14 dormitories that serve 48,000 children. (AP)

TRAIN DERAILMENT | SURVEYING THE SCENE



UNANSWERED QUESTIONS: A federal train safety investigator walks alongside overturned passenger rail cars near Flora, Miss., on Wednesday. Federal officials refused to speculate on what caused Tuesday's derailment of an Amtrak train, which killed one person and injured nearly 60 others.

U.S. Troops in Iraq Might Stay Longer

Commanders may hold on to departing forces if violence continues

WASHINGTON | Some U.S. troops scheduled to leave Iraq soon might be kept there longer to deal with the surge in violence, Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld said Wednesday.

He also said the military had captured some of the people believed responsible for last week's killing and mutilation of four U.S. civilian security officers.

He denied that the violence in Iraq is spinning out of control. American forces are in the midst

of a rotation, as troops who have been there a year are replaced by fresh forces. That gives the United States the advantage of thousands of extra forces there during the switchover to deal with new fighting that has broken out in cities across the country.

Rumsfeld said the violence, which has claimed nearly three dozen American lives since last weekend, is the work of a few "thugs, gangs and terrorists" and is not a popular uprising over the U.S.-led occupation.

"The number of people that are involved in those battles are relatively small," Rumsfeld said.

PAULINE JELINEK (AP)

Study: New Drug Boosts Levels of Good Cholesterol

TRENTON, N.J. | An experimental drug can dramatically increase levels of HDL, the good cholesterol, potentially offering an entirely new way to prevent heart attacks.

In a preliminary study, researchers at the University of Pennsylvania and Tufts University found that the drug doubled HDL in people with low levels of the heart-healthy substance. The drug, called torcetrapib, also reduced LDL, the bad cholesterol, which raises a person's chances of developing heart disease. (AP)

In Congress, Opponents Blast Iraq Plan

Bloody battles conjure 'echoes of Vietnam,' some Democrats say

WASHINGTON | Comparisons to Vietnam filled the debate on Capitol Hill Wednesday as lawmakers watched the rising violence in Iraq and talked of the prospect of sending more U.S. troops.

Sen. Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., the Senate's senior member and a fierce critic of the war, said he heard "echoes of Vietnam" in the talk of increasing U.S. forces in Iraq.

On a day when lawmakers in

both parties mourned the deaths of 15 Marines killed since Monday and praised all U.S. soldiers, Vietnam was a touchstone for politicians on both sides of the debate about Iraq.

Democratic presidential candidate John Kerry said of Bush's Iraq policy, "Since I fought in Vietnam, I have not seen an arrogance in our foreign policy like this."

White House spokesman Scott McClellan rejected any suggestion that Iraq is turning into a Vietnam-

style quagmire.

The United States is overseeing a transfer toward "sovereignty for the Iraqi people," he said. "There is a lot of progress being made throughout the country."

McClellan said Bush spent "most of his morning and early afternoon focused on events in Iraq," but he declined to say what U.S. generals told the president they might want in terms of troops.

MARK SHERMAN (AP)

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Plea Deal in C-Section Case

Murder charge dropped against mother accused of refusing surgery

SALT LAKE CITY | A woman charged with murder for allegedly delaying a Caesarean section that could have saved one of her twins pleaded guilty Wednesday to child endangerment in a deal with prosecutors.

Prosecutors said they will ask for no more than five years in prison for Melissa Ann Rowland, 28. They said they dropped the murder charge based on her "mental health history."

"We felt this was a reasonable and just result," District Attorney

David Yocom said. Sentencing was set for April 29.

Rowland has said she never intended to kill her baby and was not informed she needed immediate surgery to save the babies' lives. She disputed allegations she was worried about a scar from the surgery, saying she delivered two previous children through C-sections.

In court Wednesday, she admitted using cocaine in the weeks before she finally underwent the C-section that produced a still-born boy. The second child, a girl who survived and has been adopted, had cocaine and alcohol in her system. ALEXANDRIA SAGE (AP)



Melissa Ann Rowland appears in court Wednesday in Salt Lake City. She pleaded guilty to child endangerment.

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CRIME SOLVERS | GOING FISHING



SUNKEN TREASURE: Oscar Roque of the Miami-Dade Underwater Recovery Environmental Investigation Unit surfaces Wednesday after attaching a chain to one of dozens of stolen cars being retrieved from a lake in Miami. Roque's group — the only full-time dive team in the country — worked with other police units to recover the cars.

Jokes Go Too Far at 3 College Papers

PITTSBURGH | Being funny without being offensive is tough to do, which is why college newspapers that publish April Fools' Day editions often end up paying for it.

Three student papers that put out spoofs this year — those at Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, Pa.; the University of Scranton in Pennsylvania, and the University of Nebraska at Omaha — know all too well.

Carnegie Mellon's paper, The Tartan, voluntarily shut down for the rest of the semester after publishing a racially charged cartoon in its 12-page spoof edition. The cartoonist lost his job, and the editor-in-chief — who blamed fatigue for clouding editors' judgment — is taking a leave of absence until fall.

University of Scranton officials closed The Aquinas for parodying Mel Gibson's film "The Passion of

the Christ," college administrators and Georgetown University, a fellow Jesuit institution.

The Gateway, the Nebraska paper, apologized for its four-page edition titled The Ghettoaway. One story was written by Ono Udidn, another was bylined Mindjo Bidness. The news editor, who is black, told The Gateway for a story Tuesday that she thought the content was representative of pop culture in general. (AP)

In Brief

FRANCE

Plane Wreckage in Sea Near Provence is Saint-Exupery's

French officials confirmed Wednesday that the plane wreckage found on the Mediterranean seabed near Provence belonged to one of the country's most admired figures: Antoine de Saint-Exupery, the pilot and author of the beloved tale "The Little Prince." In July 1944, Saint-Exupery took off on a World War II spy mission for the Allies and was never seen again. (AP)

YEMEN

U.S. Warships to Dock in Harbors Again, General Says

U.S. warships will resume stops in Yemeni harbors this year for the first time since the deadly 2000 bombing of the USS Cole, said U.S. Marine Brig. Gen. Mastin Robeson. Robeson, commander of the Combined Joint Task Force — Horn of Africa, made his remarks Wednesday during an official ceremony for the inauguration of seven new U.S.-supplied boats for the Yemeni coast guard. He declined to say when the first U.S. warship would enter a Yemeni port. (AP)

JAPAN

Court: Premier's Visit to War Shrine Was Unconstitutional

A regional court found that Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi violated the constitution's mandated separation of religion and state when he paid his respects at the Yasukuni Shrine, a war memorial seen by many Asians as a dark reminder of Japan's militaristic past. Yasukuni is a Shinto shrine in Tokyo that honors all Japanese who have died in the country's wars — including, most controversially, convicted war criminals from World War II. (AP)

PAKISTAN

Musharraf Says Assistance in al Qaeda Hunt 'Minimal'

President Gen. Pervez Musharraf complained that the Iraq war was draining resources from the battle against al Qaeda and the Taliban in his country and neighboring Afghanistan. Musharraf told Australia's SBS television his government was receiving "very minimal" assistance. His remarks were released ahead of the broadcast. (AP)

Allies Caught in Frontlines in Iraq

Fight against Shiite militia draws coalition forces onto battlefield

BRUSSELS, BELGIUM | Iraq's Shiite Muslim uprising is transforming America's coalition partners from peacekeepers into warriors — a role few of them wanted or were equipped to handle.

For months, most of the 24,000 soldiers from nearly 40 U.S. partner countries had faced relatively little danger compared with beleaguered American units facing daily attacks.

Coalition governments could tell their nervous publics that the troops were in Iraq on humanitarian missions — repairing roads, digging wells and providing security.

All that changed last weekend when followers of radical Shiite cleric Muqtada al-Sadr rose up after the arrest of an aide accused in the slaying of a rival cleric.

Soldiers from Spain, Ukraine, Italy, Poland and Britain came under fierce attack by Shiite militias in central and southern Iraq. The effects have been devastating.

On Wednesday, Ukrainian troops abandoned the strategic town of Kut after mortar and infantry attacks by al-Sadr's militia, the al-Mahdi Army. One Ukrainian soldier was killed in the fighting, the first combat fatality for Ukraine's 1,650-member contingent.

Elsewhere, the Spanish military watched as al-Sadr's gunmen seized control of the holy Shiite city



Militiamen for Muqtada al-Sadr, an anti-U.S. Shiite cleric, guard the entrance of Imam Ali shrine in Najaf on Wednesday. They have replaced Iraqi police officers.

of Najaf, including police stations. Spanish officials have turned to local leaders to see if they can negotiate an end to the takeover.

And Italian troops battled Shiite gunmen this week for control of bridges across the Euphrates River in Nasiriyah. Fifteen Iraqis were killed and 12 Italians were slightly wounded, Italian authorities said.

Some political leaders fear domestic support for the Iraq mission will collapse if the unrest cannot be curbed. ROBERT H. REID (AP)

Fiery Shiite Cleric Says Iraq Could Be 'Another Vietnam'

BAGHDAD | Muqtada al-Sadr, the firebrand anti-U.S. Shiite Muslim cleric, warned the United States on Wednesday that Iraq would become another Vietnam-like conflict if Washington did not transfer power to "honest Iraqis."

The cleric — whose militia has battled coalition and Iraqi security forces across the country for days — accused members of the U.S.-

OTHER DEVELOPMENTS

- **U.S. Brig. Gen. Mark Kimmitt** vowed to "destroy" Muqtada al-Sadr's Shiite militia. He said U.S. forces were hunting down members of his al-Mahdi Army in Baghdad's Sadr City.
- **Militiamen loyal to al-Sadr** clashed with Polish troops in the holy city of Karbala, and an aide to the cleric was killed, his office reported.
- **Al-Sadr fighters battled** American troops in the town of Baqouba, northeast of Baghdad, hitting a U.S. helicopter with small arms fire. The OH-58 Kiowa chopper was damaged and forced to land, but the two crew members were unharmed.
- **Japan's top government spokesman**, Yasuo Fukuda, urged the United Nations on Wednesday to intervene "at an early stage" to stop the violence.

appointed Iraqi Governing Council of being "collaborators" who "do not represent the Iraqi people."

"I call upon the American people to stand beside their brethren, the Iraqi people, who are suffering an injustice by your rulers and the occupying army, to help them in the transfer of power to honest Iraqis," al-Sadr said in a statement. "Otherwise, Iraq will be another Vietnam for America."

The United States plans to transfer sovereignty on June 30 to Iraqis. Members of the Governing Council are expected to have prominent roles. (AP)

Friend or foe? In Sadr City, the decrepit quarter that spawned the outlaw Shiite militia, identities fuse into a dangerous ambiguity | Today's Post: Section A

HEARSAY | BRAZIL

"We don't want to be overconfident, but we managed to break the rhythm of growth [in rainforest destruction] ... This is highly significant."

—ENVIRONMENT MINISTER MARINA DA SILVA COMMENTING ON THIS YEAR'S NEAR-RECORD DEFORESTATION RATE IN THE AMAZON RAIN FOREST, AND ARGUING THE GOVERNMENT KEPT THE DESTRUCTION FROM ACCELERATING.

Moroccan Convicted in 9/11 Plot Freed

HAMBURG, GERMANY | Less than 2 1/2 years into a 15-year sentence, the only Sept. 11 suspect ever convicted walked out of jail Wednesday after judges ruled the evidence against him was too weak to hold him pending a retrial.

Mounir el Motassadeq, whose conviction on charges of aiding the Sept. 11 plotters was overturned last month, has been behind bars since his November 2001 arrest.

An appeals court in February

threw out el Motassadeq's conviction and ordered a retrial starting June 16.

It said he was denied a fair trial because the United States would not grant his lawyers access to his friend Ramzi Binalshibh — a Yemeni who was captured in Pakistan and is now in American custody.



Motassadeq

Binalshibh is believed to have been the Hamburg cell's main contact with al Qaeda, and defense lawyers say he might testify that el Motassadeq was not involved.

On Wednesday, the judges said evidence for the main charges against el Motassadeq — more than 3,000 counts of accessory to murder — was no longer "urgent." El Motassadeq was ordered to stay in Hamburg and report to police twice a week. DAVID RISING (AP)

Rwandans Bury Their Dead, Still

On 10th anniversary of genocide, hundreds are finally laid to rest

KIGALI, RWANDA | Survivors of the 1994 genocide in Rwanda gathered on a hillside Wednesday to bury the remains of hundreds of victims recovered from pit-latrines and mass graves to mark the 10th anniversary of the government-orchestrated slaughter that left more than 500,000 people dead.

The burial marks the beginning of a week of mourning for the Tutsis and moderates from the Hutu majority who were killed during the 100-day slaughter that tore apart this small central African nation.

President Paul Kagame — whose rebel force ended the genocide by ousting the extremist government — laid a wreath on the last of 20 communal coffins before it was lowered into the grave. He then lit a flame that will burn for 100 days at the new

Kigali National Memorial Center.

In Geneva, U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan called on the world to stay alert for warning signs to prevent another massacre.

"We must all acknowledge our responsibility for not having done more to prevent or stop the genocide," Annan said.

The international community's failure to stop the slaughter is a source of embarrassment and pain for Annan, who was then head of U.N. peacekeeping. Both Annan and former President Clinton have apologized for failing to intervene. (AP)

The Sky Exploded, the Killing Began, the World Blinkered

KIGALI, RWANDA | Hours after President Juvenal Habyarimana's plane was mysteriously shot down, the genocide began.

On the evening of April 6, 1994, Habyarimana — a member of the Hutu majority — and nine other

passengers were approaching Kigali's airport when their aircraft exploded into a ball of flames.

Within hours, Hutu extremists began targeting Tutsis and moderate Hutus — people viewed as opponents of Habyarimana.

Members of the presidential guard attacked a U.N. compound where the moderate prime minister had taken shelter. She was dragged out and killed, as were 10 Belgian U.N. troops guarding her.

There were about 2,500 U.N.

troops in Kigali. They did little to halt the killing. And on April 21, as the killing raged, the U.N. Security Council passed a resolution to reduce the U.N. force to a skeleton staff of 270 troops.

By the time the slaughter ended, more than 500,000 people had been killed. RODRIQUE NGOWI (AP)



FACING HISTORY: A survivor looks at pictures of people killed in the country's 1994 genocide at a memorial in Kigali this week.

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In Brief

INTERNET

Double the Profits at Yahoo

Yahoo! Inc.'s first-quarter profit more than doubled, propelled by advertisers eager to have their products promoted on the Internet's most popular destination. The company said Wednesday it earned \$101 million, compared with \$46.7 million at the same time last year. Now, Yahoo is making more money in a quarter than it did in any year of the dot-com mania. (AP)

MUSIC

Recording Industry's 2003 Sales Slump Nearly 8%

Global sales of recorded music slid again in 2003 as piracy and illegal downloading continued to inflict damage, a leading industry group said Wednesday. The International Federation of the Phonographic Industry said sales fell 7.6 percent in 2003 from 2002. The last year the industry experienced worldwide sales growth was in 1999. (AP)

RETAIL

Voters in L.A. Suburb Defeat Measure to Build Wal-Mart

Voters rejected a ballot measure that would have cleared the way for a colossal Wal Mart in Inglewood, a Los Angeles suburb. With all ballots counted late Tuesday night, Inglewood voters opposed the measure 60.6 percent to 39.3 percent, officials said. (AP)

Enron CFO's Wife Withdraws Plea

Judge refuses to agree to 5-month prison term for Lea Fastow

HOUSTON | The wife of former Enron finance chief Andrew Fastow backed out of a plea bargain Wednesday after a federal judge refused to go along with a sentence of five months in prison and five months of home confinement.

Lea Fastow, 42, had pleaded guilty Jan. 14 to filing a false tax form, acknowledging she helped her husband hide ill-gotten income. But the judge refused at the time to guarantee her the sentence agreed to by prosecutors and she retained the right to withdraw her plea.

Andrew Fastow pleaded guilty the same day, admitting he orches-

trated schemes to make Enron appear financially healthy while enriching himself. He also agreed to cooperate with prosecutors investigating higher-ups at Enron.

Lea Fastow withdrew her guilty plea after U.S. District Judge David Hittner said he wanted a sentence of between 10 and 16 months. The Fastows had insisted on the five-month prison sentence to ensure that their sons, ages 4 and 8, had at least one parent at home.



Fastow

Lea Fastow is now scheduled to go to trial June 2 on all six original charges of conspiracy and filing false tax forms. The charges carry up to 37 years in prison. KRISTEN HAYS (AP)

Prosecutors Blast Stewart Retrial Bid

NEW YORK | Prosecutors on Wednesday accused Martha Stewart of desperately seeking a new trial by trying to "humiliate" a juror with rumors about his past.

Stewart was convicted March 5 of lying to investigators about her sale of ImClone stock just before it

plunged on a negative government report. Last week, Stewart's lawyers asked for a new trial, saying juror Chapell Hartridge failed to disclose an arrest on assault charges and three lawsuits filed against him.

In papers filed in federal court, prosecutors told Judge Miriam Goldman Cedarbaum that the accusations against Hartridge were not enough to require a court hearing, much less a new trial. (AP)

Market Action

New York Stock Exchange

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
HuttigBld	7.35	+1.97	+36.6
Dave&B	17.06	+2.11	+14.1
ActPerf	18.05	+1.79	+11.0
Quanex	47.71	+4.45	+10.3
FstMarb n	32.43	+2.86	+9.7

Losers

JpnSmCap	13.57	-.93	-6.4
Omnova	5.03	-.30	-5.6
JohnsncIt s	56.78	-3.30	-5.5
Alcoa	34.65	-1.85	-5.1
URS	27.05	-1.34	-4.7

Rates

	CURRENT	PREVIOUS WEEK
Prime Rate	4.00	4.00
Fed Funds close	1.00	1.0625
3-month	0.92	0.93
2-year	1.84	1.57
10-year	4.15	3.84
30-year	5.00	4.77

NASDAQ Stock Market

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
VerticNet	2.34	+.55	+30.7
Arotech	2.84	+.66	+30.3
Magal	32.45	+7.51	+30.1
OnyxSft rs	4.16	+.86	+26.1
RandCap	2.05	+.40	+24.2

Losers

PrmsKn	2.91	-1.03	-26.1
FstVirtl rs	3.13	-.78	-19.9
Dynacq	7.82	-1.32	-14.4
DigIntl	8.60	-1.39	-13.9
ImpcoTech	5.36	-.77	-12.6

Currency (Dollars in foreign currency)

	TODAY	PREVIOUS DAY	YEAR AGO
British Pound	.5430	.5437	.6445
Canadian Dollar	1.3097	1.3085	1.4810
European Euro	.8207	.8269	.9382
Japanese Yen	105.24	105.69	120.23
Mexican Peso	11.2380	11.1650	10.6940
Taiwanese Dollar	32.92	32.98	34.84

DOW	NASDAQ	S&P 500
-90.66	-9.66	-7.63
-0.86	-0.47	-0.66
10480.15	2050.24	1140.53

Bank Stocks

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	YEAR TO DATE PERCENT CHANGE
BcBilVarg	13.65	+.21	-1.4
BcoSnCH	11.35	+.15	-5.5
BankOne	54.27	-.09	+19.0
Bk of Am	81.45	-.55	+1.3
Barclay	36.00	+.02	-1.0
CredSuisse	35.86	+.59	-1.3
DeutschBk	87.37	+.76	+6.3
HSBC	75.58	-.06	-4.1
JPMorgCh	41.37	-.13	+13.7
LloydTSB	31.05	-.45	-4.6
MitsuTkyo	10.17	-.22	+29.9
UBS AG	75.75	+.37	+11.4
US Bancrp	26.81	-.10	-8.7
Wachovia	46.35	-.30	-.5
WellsFrgo	56.75	-.43	-3.6

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Virginia Gov. Mark Warner praised the House committee for reaching a budget compromise on Wednesday, but did not express strong support for the bill.

Va. House Panel Revives Tax Plan

Delegates schedule vote for Monday on compromise measure

RICHMOND, VA. | A House panel revived a Republican bill Wednesday that would boost sales taxes by one-half cent and would generate nearly \$1 billion in new revenue just as efforts to draft a new two-year budget appeared on the verge of collapse.

Without debate, the tax-writing House Finance Committee voted 10-8 to advance the measure, which also increases taxes on cigarettes and recording real estate deeds, to an uncertain vote in the full House of Delegates.

The House later recessed until next week, waiting to see whether Gov. Mark R. Warner will use the

long Easter weekend to show stronger support for the compromise effort.

Without that, House Speaker William J. Howell said, the GOP support necessary to pass the measure in the House will probably evaporate by the time the first floor vote is scheduled on Monday.

The Democratic governor, in a one-paragraph statement, called the measure a "breakthrough" that "will lead to a meaningful compromise," but stopped short of endorsing it or indicating he would sign it.

Warner declined to take a stronger position in remarks to reporters.

"I don't believe it's going to be the final product," he said. "There's a recognition that the Senate is going to come back with modifications and changes. That's the nature of the legislative process."

BOB LEWIS AND LARRY O'DELL (AP)

Metro Lot Closing For Construction

WASHINGTON | Construction set to begin this month on a new 1,850-space parking garage at the New Carrollton Metrorail station will require closing the station's Park & Ride Lot No. 1, Metro said.

The lot will close Friday at 10 p.m. for the construction. The

new garage is expected to open in November 2005.

Beginning Monday, free shuttle buses will operate from 6 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. between the station and the Park & Ride LLC lot on Pennsy Drive and Ardwick-Ardmore Road, Metro said.

Parking there will be \$2.75 for the first 210 customers who show a valid rail transfer each day; for others, parking will be \$5. (EXPRESS)

District Residents Take Water Complaints to Hill

WASHINGTON | The District of Columbia's Water and Sewer Authority "tried to hide extraordinarily high levels of lead" in the water and put children and pregnant women at risk, a mother testified Wednesday before a Senate subcommittee.

Infants and toddlers squaled in the background as mothers and soon-to-be mothers packed the Senate subcommittee on fisheries, wildlife and water hearing on the District's struggle with lead-contaminated water.

"Parents are angry and full of anxiety because we don't know what the long-term implications of lead poisoning in our water will have on our children," Gloria Borland told the panel.



Jeffords

Borland said her little girl has blood lead levels twice the national average. She said the lead problem is so big, the cost of repair so high and the water agency so dysfunctional, that the only answer is to put WASA under federal leadership.

Officials from the Environmental Protection Agency, Army Corps of Engineers, WASA and the District Health Department also testified at the hearing.

Committee member Sen. James Jeffords, I-Vt., said he would soon introduce legislation to "overhaul" how officials respond to elevated water lead levels. He said he will propose more spending to fix aging water infrastructure across the country to keep other cities from experiencing similar problems.

FRITZ FAERBER (AP)

Help: Mayor Anthony Williams called for federal aid for the D.C. water problem | washingtonpost.com/metro

Guilty Plea Expected in Dragging Case

FAIRFAX, VA. | A Lorton man charged with striking a pedestrian on Interstate 95 with his sport utility vehicle and dragging him on the highway for nearly nine miles is expected to plead guilty to involuntary manslaughter as part of a plea bargain.

Josuel Galdino, 25, on Wednesday waived his right to a preliminary hearing on the involuntary manslaughter charge. A plea hearing was scheduled for June 9, at which time Galdino's lawyer said a

guilty plea will likely be entered.

As part of the plea bargain, prosecutors dropped charges of driving while intoxicated and felony hit-and-run.

Police said Fitsum Gebreegziabher, 27, had gotten out of his car to check on a flat tire in Springfield on Feb. 29 when he was struck by Galdino's vehicle. According to investigators, Gebreegziabher was then dragged to Galdino's home. (AP)

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Sports

UConn. Builds A Hoops Empire

NCAA championships follow the arrival of coaches, new stadium

COLLEGE BASKETBALL | Thirty years ago, the University of Connecticut basketball program was a sorry sight.

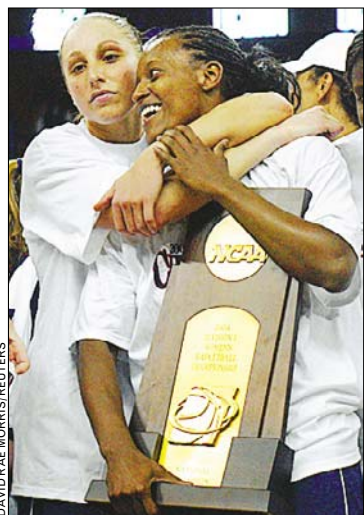
The games were played in a dilapidated fieldhouse with a leaky roof and few fans in the stands, and the Huskies received scant media coverage.

Today, UConn. is nothing short of a college basketball dynasty. The men's and women's teams both won NCAA titles this week, an unprecedented feat. The women have won five of the last 10 national titles, and the men have claimed two championships since 1999.

The two people behind UConn.'s transformation from obscurity to basketball superpower are coaches Jim Calhoun and Geno Auriemma, fierce competitors who helped bring success on the court.

In 1990, state and private funding combined to help both programs move out of the 4,500-seat, creaky fieldhouse to the 10,000-seat Gampel Pavilion, now consistently sold out.

At about the same time, both teams began drawing in key recruits who laid



Diana Taurasi, left, hugs Ashley Battle after UConn. won the women's title.

the foundation for the dynasty.

The women reached their first Final Four in 1991, and that helped UConn. land Rebecca Lobo, one of UConn.'s greatest stars. The 1995 team led by Lobo went undefeated, attracting an ever-growing number of power players to Storrs.

Calhoun's recruiting skills — bringing in players as Ray Allen and Donyell Marshall — enabled him to build men's squads that dominated the Big East beginning in the 1990s. **NOREEN GILLESPIE (AP)**

MASTERS | HOLE IN ONE



GOOD OMEN? Tiger Woods reacts with the gallery after hitting a hole in one at the ninth hole of the Par 3 Contest at the Augusta National Golf Club in Augusta, Ga., Wednesday. The event is a prelude to the Masters, which begins Thursday.

TODAY'S TV LINEUP

GOLF (4 p.m. on USA) The Masters begins with first-round action in Augusta, Ga.

BASEBALL (7 p.m. on UPN20) The Baltimore Orioles and Boston Red Sox wrap up their season-opening four-game series.

MEN'S COLLEGE HOCKEY (Noon and 6 p.m. on ESPN2) The Frozen Four, featuring Denver and Minnesota Duluth in the first game and Boston College and Maine in the nightcap during the doubleheader in Boston.

PRO HOCKEY (10 p.m. on ESPN) St. Louis and San Jose begin their playoff series.

PRO BASKETBALL (10 p.m. on TNT) Minnesota and Sacramento play in what could be a Western Conference playoff preview.

BASEBALL (1 p.m. on ESPN) The New York Yankees host the Chicago White Sox.

United's Adu Twists Ankle in Practice

14-year-old expected to play Saturday, but again may not start

SOCCER | Freddy Adu twisted his right ankle and sat out the last hour of D.C. United's practice Wednesday.

After some ice and work with the trainer, the 14-year-old marquee player pronounced himself fine. His foot had been sore since he got kicked while practicing in Florida three weeks ago, and this appeared to be just a flare-up.

Barring a relapse, Adu should be able to play Saturday when D.C. visits the Los Angeles Galaxy. But the injury could also be a convenient way to resolve coach Peter Nowak's



Freddy Adu may come off the bench for a second straight game on Saturday.

dilemma over whether his young star should start.

Adu debuted in the 61st minute and was a tentative contributor to United's 2-1 victory over the San Jose Earthquakes in last Saturday's MLS opener.

Another substitute appearance

would seem to make sense for Adu's second game, but United has a hole in the starting lineup. Midfielder Dema Kovalenko received a red card against the Earthquakes and must sit out Saturday.

"We have a couple of options," Nowak said. "And Freddy is one of them."

Adu has repeatedly said that he wants to start, but even he balked when asked whether he deserves to.

"My answer would be, at the moment, 50-50," Adu said. "Because I don't feel like I've really done enough in practice to secure a starting job." **JOSEPH WHITE (AP)**

Star: Tony Kornheiser says it was a mistake to bring Adu off the bench in his debut | Today's Post, Sports

In Brief

HOCKEY

Desjardins To Miss Playoffs

Flyers defenseman Eric Desjardins will miss the NHL playoffs after a metal plate protecting his injured right arm broke while he was playing catch with his son. Desjardins returned to Philadelphia's lineup for the final three games of the regular season after breaking his right forearm Jan. 17. The Atlantic Division champion Flyers open an Eastern Conference quarterfinal against New Jersey on Thursday. **(AP)**

FOOTBALL

Policy Leaving Cleveland

Carmen Policy will step down as president and chief executive officer of the Cleveland Browns on May 1 but will remain with the club as a consultant through the 2004 NFL season. Policy will be replaced by John Collins, currently the NFL's senior vice president of marketing and sales, team spokesman Todd Stewart said Wednesday. **(AP)**

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC	W	L	PCT.	GB	LIO	CONF.
Y-New Jersey	45	32	.584	—	4-6	32-17
X-Miami	38	39	.494	7	8-2	26-23
New York	36	42	.462	9.5	5-5	28-22
Boston	35	42	.455	10	6-4	23-26
Philadelphia	33	45	.423	12.5	5-5	23-27
Washington	24	53	.312	21	3-7	15-34
Orlando	19	59	.244	26.5	0-10	15-35

CENTRAL

C-Indiana	57	21	.731	—	7-3	37-13
X-Detroit	51	27	.654	6	8-2	34-16
X-Milwaukee	40	38	.513	17	6-4	32-18
X-New Orleans	38	40	.487	19	2-8	27-23
Cleveland	32	45	.416	24.5	1-9	26-24
Toronto	31	46	.403	25.5	2-8	20-29
Atlanta	25	53	.321	32	3-7	16-34
Chicago	22	55	.286	34.5	4-6	18-31

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST	W	L	PCT.	GB	LIO	CONF.
X-Minnesota	54	24	.692	—	8-2	30-18
X-San Antonio	52	25	.675	1.5	8-2	30-17
X-Memphis	49	28	.636	4.5	7-3	28-20
X-Dallas	49	28	.636	4.5	7-3	30-17
Houston	42	35	.545	11.5	3-7	18-29
Utah	41	37	.526	13	7-3	24-24
Denver	40	37	.519	13.5	5-5	26-21

PACIFIC

X-Sacramento	54	23	.701	—	5-5	30-17
X-L.A. Lakers	53	25	.679	1.5	8-2	28-20
Portland	40	37	.519	14	6-4	21-26
Golden State	35	42	.455	19	8-2	21-26
Seattle	35	43	.449	19.5	5-5	20-28
L.A. Clippers	27	51	.346	27.5	0-10	13-35
Phoenix	26	51	.338	28	4-6	13-34

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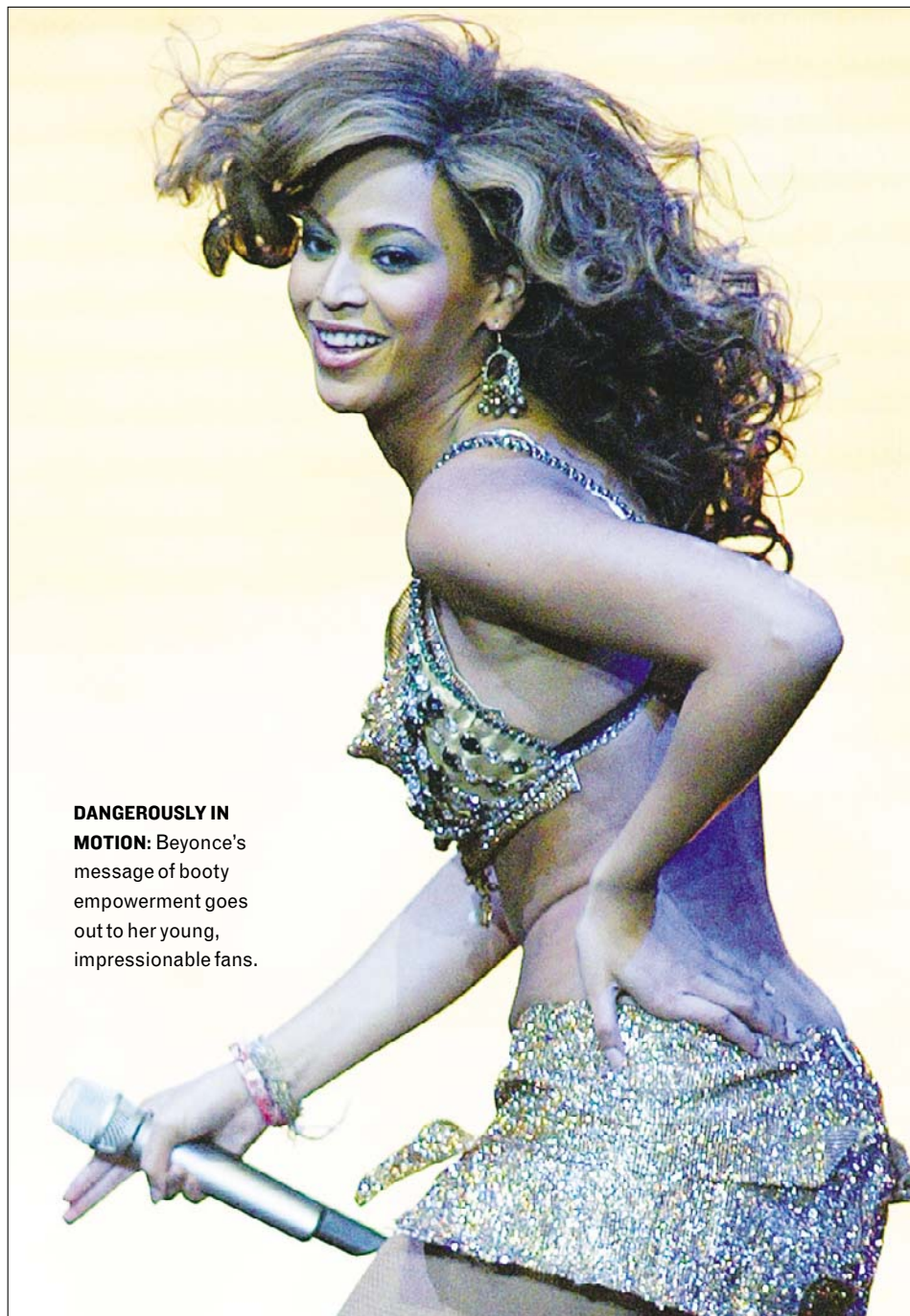
It's a groundbreaking concept — a tip-toe bill of musically and culturally powerful black women (four, including opener Tamia) co-headlining a showbizzy extravaganza that's like an evening of Top 40 radio gone spectacularly live. Genre lines blur as Missy's futuristic global hip-hop melds into Keys's elegant torch-song throwback and Beyonce's crowd-pleasing, rump-shaking, souped-up, sista-power R&B.

But the tour is not about scoring trailblazing points. It's about entertaining the living daylights out of ecstatic fans — many of whom are very young, so parents beware the purported foul language — until they're screamed out, wrung out and seeing double from the exhausting spectacle.

There will be costume changes, there will be set changes. Beyonce will pull the Cleopatra number she unveiled at this year's Grammy awards show and shimmy the fringe on a little gold frock until sparks fly. (If you're very good, Jay-Z might join his girlfriend on "Crazy in Love.") Keys takes a break from her piano to lead the band in a Harlem-nights-style supper-club set; Elliott chops and refits beats like the world's blingiest magpie.

The ladies headlining the tour represent more than 30 million albums sold. The tour is a way of confirming feminine economic might as much as sexual power. But hoo boy, seduction is most definitely on the menu (see photo, right). Demanding respect, paying the bills and never letting him forget he's a man — these First Ladies can have it all. (EXPRESS)

MCI Center, 601 F St. NW; Sun., April 11, 7 p.m., \$67.50-\$77.50; 202-432-7328. (Metro Center)



DANGEROUSLY IN MOTION: Beyonce's message of booty empowerment goes out to her young, impressionable fans.

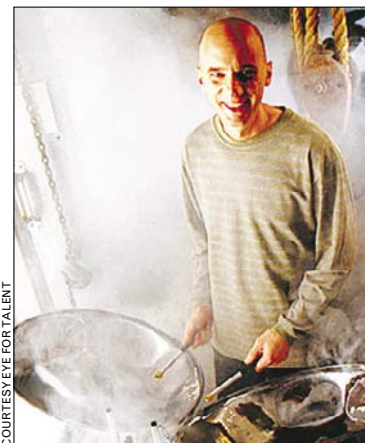
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Andy Narell rocks on the pan, as this stage fog shows — heavy metal indeed.

Philatelists' Treat: The Queen's Stamps

Highlights of a collection of British and Commonwealth stamps can be found in, "The Queen's Own: Stamps That Changed the World." The stamps on display are, as the title of the show promises, from Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II's personal philatelic holdings. Well, that's obvious; we just wanted to say "philatelic holdings."

National Postal Museum, 2 Massachusetts Ave, NE; through Jan. 11; 202-633-5555. (Union Station)

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Very Cherry Blossom: Anacostia Festival

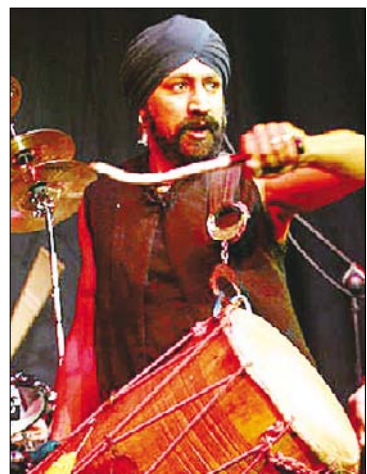
The cherry blossoms are blooming in Anacostia Park, and the festival moves east this weekend when Anacostia Park hosts a rowing regatta, farmers' market, antique fair, live music and other events.

Good Hope Road and Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue; Sat., April 10, 8:30-11 a.m., free; www.nationalcherryblossomfestival.org.

South Asian Celebration: Bhangra Blowout

The 11th Bhangra Blowout shakes the stage at Constitution Hall this weekend as 10 university teams perform in an exuberant dance and music competition. Sponsored by the South Asian Society of George Washington University, the Blowout was organized as a way of keeping alive Punjabi folk dances.

Constitution Hall, 1776 D St. NW; Sat., April 10, 7 p.m., \$25; 202-432-7328.



Johnny Kalsi of the U.K.-based Dohl Foundation drums up bhangra support.

East Is East Is East: Three Japanese Shows

Japanese music comes to Millenium Stage in a three-show blast. On Thursday evening, it's The Bamboo Orchestra, whose instruments are made of the humble wood; Saturday it's the taiko drum ensemble Za Ondekoza and Sunday it's Hiromitsu Agatsuma, who fuses Western rock with Japanese folk styles.

Kennedy Center, Millenium Stage, 2700 F St. NW; 6 p.m., free; 202-467-4600. (Foggy Bottom-GWU)

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It Came From Planet France

Air's quiet electronica sends songs of love from distant stars

MUSIC | This is what it sounds like to fall in love from outer space, to fall in love with outer space, to ease into the endless embrace of the cosmos — wispy, plangent melodies, sourceless bleeps and bleeps, resonating chords that seem to emanate from distant planets.

The French duo Air, playing at 9:30 Friday night, can easily be mislabeled as fellow travelers of Generation Lounge. But Nicolas Godin and Jean-Benoit Dunkel lack loungesters' irony and slackerish unwillingness to work too hard to entertain people. They do stand behind keyboards and ask their angelic-voiced female guest singers to do the vocal heavy lifting, but their music is too complicated, too questing, too compelling to pass as mere



CALLING OCCUPANT: Dunkel and Godin receive transmission.

aural wallpaper.

Godin and Dunkel work spacey textures over wafting vocals and seed all kinds of little surprises along the way — magnificent chord progressions that crest like waves, electronic interruptions that sound like urgent uncoded transmissions, love-song lyrics vague enough to mean everything and nothing, even a wide-eyed cover of Francoise Hardy's yé-yé classic, "Jeanne." Sung on the single "Sexy Boy" by Francoise Hardy.

Although the electro-space sound is still intact, latter-day Air is finding its edge. The 2002 album "10,000 Hz Legend" trafficks in irresistible beats on the ironically titled "Electronic Performers," and on this year's "Talkie Walkie," fans can find gospel handclaps, the organic sound of the banjo and, in an act of almost unprecedented exposure, actual human singing from Dunkel and Godin. And there's no more Earth-bound activity than confessing love. (EXPRESS)

9:30 Club, 815 V St., NW; Thu.-Fri., April 8-9, \$35; 7:30 p.m. (Thu.), 9 p.m. (Fri.); 703-218-6500. (U St.-Cardozo)

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ONLY FITTING: Documentarian David Teboul captures the fleeting magic of couture through a close look at the painstaking design process in "Yves Saint Laurent: 5 Avenue Marceau, 75116 Paris," which tracks the late master as he runs up a season of frocks. Visions hosts a "Couture Party" for the run of this film and its companion, "YSL: His Life and Times." Visions Cinema, 1927 Florida Ave. NW; party Fri., April 9, 9 p.m.-2 a.m.; film at 10 p.m.; 202-667-0090.

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SPINDERELLA: The Champions on Ice, featuring Michelle Kwan, Sasha Cohen, Timothy Goebel, Fumie Suguri, above, and Victor Petrenko, come to MCI Center, 601 F St. NW; Fri., April 9, 7:30 p.m., \$15-\$95; 202-432-7328.

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Dances With Apes

Primatologist Mireya Mayor is no Fay Wray

OUT & ABOUT | Jane Goodall and the chimps of Gombe. Dian Fossey and the gorillas of the Virunga Volcanos. Fay Wray and King Kong of Skull Island.

Strong is the bond between woman and ape. It is no different for primatologist Mireya Mayor, whose lecture Thursday night at the National Geographic Society is titled "My Wild Life: Adventures in Filmmaking."

As a correspondent for National Geographic Television's "Ultimate Explorer," Mayor has hung out

with western lowland gorillas, swum with great white sharks, and discovered and spearheaded the conservation of a previously unknown species of Microcebus, or mouse lemur.

When Mayor got bitten by the science bug in college she had never left the U.S. or even been camping. She has since become an ultimate explorer indeed; her treks have taken her to Madagascar, Namibia, Guyana and Guadalupe Island, Mexico.

She is also likely the only scholar

published in the American Journal of Physical Anthropology, Molecular Ecology and Evolution and, yes, Lemur News, to have funded her undergraduate studies by shaking her tailfeather on the Miami Dolphins cheerleading squad.

Although Mayor sees no connection between her past occupation and her current one, we'd guess that you can't spend too much time around the gridiron without learning how to handle savage beasts.

GLENN DIXON

National Geographic, 17th and M streets NW; Thu., Apr. 8, 7:30 p.m.; \$8-\$16; 202-857-7700. (Farragut North)



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Artistic director and principal conductor of the Deutsches Sinfonie-Orchester Berlin and principal conductor of Los Angeles Opera Kent Nagano likes to keep busy. Between winning Grammys, recording and guest conducting worldwide, he'll find time to conduct the National Symphony Orchestra, with guest singers Heidi Grant Murphy, soprano, and Matthias Goerne, baritone, in selections from Brahms's "A German Requiem" and from Rihm's "Reading the Spirits."

Kennedy Center, 2700 F St. NW; Thu.-Sat., April 8-10, 7 p.m. (Thu.), 8 p.m. (Fri. & Sat.); \$20-\$75; 202-467-4600. (Foggy Bottom-GWU)

Whirling Dervishes' spin cycles connect them with the divine

OUT & ABOUT | From unseen electrons to immeasurable galaxies, everything revolves. Seasons cycle, the clock hands go around. Birth and death and new birth. All life revolves. Even laundry.

Laundry isn't as poetic as the billowing skirts of the Konya Whirling Dervishes, who visit Washington this Saturday. Their spiritual ceremony takes the form of a nonstop choreography of spinning bodies, colors and music.

They are Sufis, followers of the mystical Islamic poet Rumi, a 13th-century Turkish scholar, scientist and mystic. His verse explored the quest to lose oneself and so find truth. Reports suggest that's just what happens to audiences entranced by the dervishes. (For the less enlightened, though, it seems a fine line between ecstasy and nausea.)

The dervishes' goal is to constantly whirl in counterpoint to nature as testimony to God's wisdom.

**THIS MORTAL COIL:** Turkey's Sufis believe that their spinning bodies are conduits of God's blessings to the earth below.

The ceremonial movement calls on the dancers' threefold components: mind, heart and body. The dance represents the believer's spiraling ascent toward spiritual perfection. Arms raised, his right hand is up to

receive the blessings rained down from God; his left hand is down to transmit them to earth.

It's clear these dancers have faith, because God only knows how they don't accidentally transmit them-

selves to earth while looking at the stars. **BOB MASSEY**

George Washington University, Lisner Auditorium, 730 21st St. NW, Sat., April 10, 8 p.m., \$25-\$30; 301-808-6900. (Foggy Bottom-GWU)

N.E.R.D.: From Studio to Stage**Hip-hop and pop's preeminent producers make their own music**

MUSIC | When you're the hottest producers in the universe, it's probably expected that you take yourselves awfully darn seriously. So it may be a function of Pharrell Williams's and Chad Hugo's status as H.P.I.T.U. that their knob-twiddling incarnation, the Neptunes, is vastly more down to earth than their light-hearted escapades as two-thirds of N.E.R.D. (playing two shows at 9:30 this weekend), the "real band" they're in when not making studio magic happen for virtually everybody else.



VIRGIN RECORDS

GEEK LOVE: Hugo, Williams and Shay study the sands for more innovative ideas.

Along with childhood friend Shay, Hugo and Williams have made a couple of records that

caused rock critics' eyes to pop clear out of their heads.

Both "In Search of" and "Fly or

Die" are strangely humble outings — full of booty songs so dumb it's easy to overlook the fact that these guys are actually re-inventing rock 'n' roll and dragging along hip-hop and pop while they're at it.

Even in the service of party hip-hop — boasting (ironically), worshipping hot women (ironically) or partying down (um, you know) — N.E.R.D.'s complicated mix and unprecedented fusion of forms carve out new territory while re-inventing the old ones.

Go see them before they change everything all over again. **(EXPRESS)**

9:30 Club, 815 V St. NW; with Black Eyed Peas, Sun.-Mon., April 11-12, 9 p.m.; 703-218-6500. (U St.-Cardozo)

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HELLO, GORGEOUS: Slipknot's got it all: masks, nihilism and the tendency to injure themselves onstage. Nation, 1050 Half St. SE; with Fear Factory and Chimaira, Fri., April 9, 7:30 p.m., \$27.50; 202-432-7328.



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Elevator Going Up

A theater ensemble turns the Victorian ghost story inside out

STAGE | Elevator Repair Service does not repair elevators any more than Monty Python's Flying Circus barnstorms fairgrounds. The New York-based theater ensemble makes theater. Odd, smart, funny theater.

"Room Tone," the title of ERS's current show, refers to the ambient frequencies in a room that sound designers record as background filler for movie soundtracks. It's a ghostly presence registered by the deepest levels of your mind.

The show takes its cues from novelist Henry James's spooky tale "The Turn of the Screw" crossed with "The Varieties of Religious Experience," a study by James's psychologist brother William.

Ghostly weirdness abounds. An odd, obsessively lovelorn man seeks a governess to mind his young niece

and nephew. Under no circumstances should she contact him about any mysterious occurrences.

It's "The Shining" as experimental theater. But ERS performers indict the audience as co-conspirators in their creepy, funny experience.

These downtowners have pursued a 12-year mission to mess with audiences. Their tools include slapstick, obscure historical events, stuff they find on the street, famous books and a singular style of movement. They're in the underground resistance of the culture wars, finding a refreshing realness in the artifice of theater. No stars, no ads, no glass screen. They like it awkward, unsexy, impolite, hilarious. They thrive on a challenge.

If, in the same moment, you both laugh and think, they win.

BOB MASSEY

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ROAD TRIP: It's too far to go just to mock the guy, but Yanni spreads the love on his Ethnicity World Tour at Ist Mariner Arena, 201 W. Baltimore St., Baltimore, Md.; Thu., April 8, 7:30 p.m., \$39.50-\$65; 410-347-2020.

Pas de Deux for Legumes

Lyon Opera Ballet gives movement to objects and ideas

DANCE | When most people think "ballet," they think fragile swans, heroic men in tights hoisting girls in tutus, cheery rouged villagers celebrating the young prince's wedding with vigorous folk dances.

Lyon Opera Ballet doesn't need no stinking swans.

As Washingtonians discovered two years ago when the eccentric French troupe brought its showpiece, Maguy Marin's "Cendrillon," to the Eisenhower Theater, Lyon toys with theatrical elements beyond mere music and dance — including masks, obscure pantomime interludes and eerie silence. Artistic director Yorgos Loukos is not afraid of the new, to say the least, and the usually traditional local culture-vulture crowd ate it up.

Now Loukos brings choreographer Philippe Decoufle's "Tricodex" to the Kennedy Center, and if you thought that "Cendrillon's" heroine in a creepy baby mask mincing about the stage to recorded whines and breaths was weird, wait until you get a load of the dancing vegetables.



SERAFINI'S UNIVERSE: "Tricodex" recalls Oskar Schlemmer's Bauhaus ballets and the anthropomorphism of childhood.

Inspired by the book "Codex Seraphinianus" by Italian artist and naturalist Luigi Serafini, "Tricodex" incorporates video projection, extreme athletics, mime, acrobatics and extravagant costumes and is set to music by contemporary composers Sebastien Libolt and Hugues de Courson.

It's a work of the imagination that pays tribute to the bound-

lessness of imagination. This evening-length work forgoes a central narrative in favor of a series of atmospheric interludes, bouncing from one fanciful divertissement to another — now balletic, now cartoonish, with elements of circus spectacle and plenty of (literally) high flying.

Everything represented through movement, from the sea to insects,

tells its own miniature story. If Serafini's tongue-in-cheek "Codex" sought to imbue everything from hairstyles to machines with a soul, then Loukos's "Tricodex" brings those souls to vibrant, humorous life. (EXPRESS)

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Alain Nu Is So Manipulative

OUT & ABOUT | Hide the cutlery! When magician and mentalist Alain Nu takes the stage, no innocent spoon goes unscathed. Thursday afternoon, the metal-bending maestro dazzles parents and kids at Strathmore's Spring Break Theater.

It's one thing to make an airliner vanish on TV, with any number of technical tricks at your disposal. (*Cough-mirrors-cough.*) It's another thing altogether to fool people



NU METAL: Alain Nu contorts flatware using only the power of your gullibility.

who stand only an arm's length away using simple household objects.

Nu specializes in what he calls "100 percent all-natural magic" — effects involving coins, cards, watches and the power of his mind over yours.

When he isn't performing in the D.C. area for dignitaries ranging from Saudi royals to George W. Bush, this local prestidigitator is often on the road, winning rave reviews at corporate parties, campus events and even tough-to-impress gatherings of fellow magicians.

Before Caesars Palace did a dis-

appearing act on its dinner-and-magic attraction Caesars Magical Empire a couple of years ago, Nu's "close-up" work was a highlight for many a Las Vegas highroller.

Thursday's show offers an opportunity to catch Nu without ponying up 75 bucks.

True, you'll miss out on the three-course feast that came with the price of admission but... anyway, let's just say it's a good thing ancient orgy etiquette required you to eat with your hands. **GLENN DIXON**

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But you don't know what it's like to be taken by surprise by an entire-

ly new sound, a connection to the past and a bridge to future, meeting in the forms of some underage heartthrobs who didn't seem to come off the assembly line.

The phenomenon known as the boy band has pretty much always been with us. But when New Edition showed up in the 1980s, the land had been bereft of boy bands. (There was something called New

Kids on the Block, but let's not talk about that.)

Hip-hop was for grownups, bubblegum for kids, and these five guys brought together old-school doo-wop harmonizing and hard urban beats for a sound called New Jack Swing.

Suddenly, hip-hop in some form or another was available to everyone. With hits like "Candy Girl,"



Back in the day, New Edition really was a new edition of urban-pop heartthrob.

"Cool It Now" and "Mr. Telephone Man," New Edition ruled the airwaves and the pages of Teen Beat. (One of the group's original members, Bobby Brown, went on to other things, but let's not talk about that, either.)

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Dupont Circle), a restaurant/lounge,
opened April 1. The restaurant
promises an all-organic (though
otherwise a bit predictable) menu
of fancy Euro-fare, while the second-
floor lounge lures with an assort-
ment of DJs. Organic though it may
be, vegetarian dinner entrees are
limited to penne and portabella
mushroom dishes. Enticing desserts
include the orange mousse and the
Banana Copacabana — grilled and
flambéed bananas with ice cream
and chocolate sauce. Lunch entrees
\$9.50 to \$12.50; dinner \$9.50 to
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ICE CREAM Guilt-Free Goodness

The recently reopened Avalon movie
theater — resurrected by the nos-
talgic denizens of Chevy Chase
— has an equally warm and fuzzy
new friend. A **BEN & JERRY'S** (5612
Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-237-
0569), operated by the nonprof-
it Latin American Youth Center,
has opened next door. The offi-
cial grand opening celebration is
Saturday, April 17, from 12 to 6
p.m. and will be attended by the
real Ben and Jerry. But far more
importantly, there will be free ice
cream. The store will be used to
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The Bronzed Day Boat Scallops, \$7.95, left, and the lamb chops, from Fin.

THE NIBBLER

(18556 Woodfield Rd./Route 124
in the 124 Plaza; 301-417-0233) —
German-born chef-owner Manfred
Ochs and his Filipino wife, Rowena,
fell in love with Latino fare when he
was a hotel chef in Panama, so it's
no surprise that this seemingly casu-
al Peruvian restaurant comes close
to making haute cuisine out of such
homey favorites as aji de gallina
(chicken stew), chupa de camarrones
(shrimp bisque), ropa vieja (shred-
ded brisket) and carapulce (a pea-
nut-flavored pork and chicken stew).
Fried calamari and yucca are crisp
delights, and the lomo de saltado
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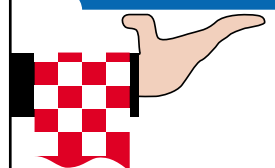
FIN

(1200 19th St. NW; 202-530-4430) —
While the cooking is not uniformly
polished (and the sushi pretty pedes-
trian), this have-it-your-way seafood
house is so eager to be liked that it
makes up for its flaws. And there are
plenty of dependable options, par-
ticularly among the smaller plates,
that make it a really comfy hangout:
grilled calamari, day-boat scallops,
little lamb chops with satay sauce,
crab cakes, oysters on the half-
shell, etc. The white-bean-artichoke
spread is among the best bread
spreads in town. And while having
a choice of cooking treatments for
all the fresh fish isn't a new concept,
Fin goes all out with enough choic-
es to eat tuna every day of the week.
Entrees \$13.95-\$19.95. E.Z. (REVIEWED
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Weighing Options

LOSING IT | "Diet Wars" on Frontline (9 p.m., PBS) examines the conflicting claims of popular diets, including Weight Watchers, South Beach and Atkins. It also discusses the super-sizing of Americans, a trend toward obesity that has grown acute in the past decades, as many have given up nutritious home-cooked meals for fast food available in ever-larger portions.

Among those interviewed is Gary Taubes, author of a widely discussed article for The New York Times Magazine that championed the Atkins Diet approach and questioned the amount of carbohydrates in the FDA's "pyramid" of recommended foods. Taubes found himself the subject of unanticipated



THERE IS NO FAT-FREE LUNCH: We're dieting more and still getting bigger.

vitriol. "People are more polarized on this than they are in politics," he observes. "I'm stunned." KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

ON TV TONIGHT

ENTERTAINMENT'S PASSION FOR ALL THINGS 'PASSION' THE TRIAL OF JESUS (9p.m., History) makes a scholarly examination of the evidence available about the treatment of Jesus by the Roman and local Jewish authorities in the days leading up to his crucifixion. "Trial" attempts to get inside the minds of Christ's contemporaries to determine what might have unfolded at these proceedings, and offers dissenting voices from those who argue that there is not enough evidence to support the Gospels. Later, it's PONTIUS PILATE: THE MAN WHO KILLED CHRIST (10p.m., History), a look at the Roman Empire's man in Judea, who presided over Christ's fateful arraignment. A STRIKEOUT OR A HOME RUN? Catherine Crier is the judge in BREAK UP THE BOMBERS: THE YANKEES ON TRIAL (7p.m., ESPN). This mock trial offers the cases



LET'S PUT ON A SHOW: Garland and Rooney bond over shakes and showbiz.

for and against the New York Yankees' practice of outspending every other team in the major league to assemble the most formidable lineup. Will the Yankee's \$180 million payroll make the major league season and post-season merely academic?

Attorney and Harvard Law School professor Alan Dershowitz acts as prosecutor and makes the case against the

team, while the barrister Bruce Cutler states the case for the defense. Former Yankee Jim Bouton and Oakland A's General Manager Billy Beane will offer expert testimony.

CULT CHOICE BABES ON BROADWAY (10p.m., TCM) Busby Berkeley directed Mickey Rooney and Judy Garland in this 1941 musical. KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

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WTTG [5]	Simpsons	Simpsons	Friends [E]	Seinfeld [E]	Tru Calling "Two Pair" (N)		Wonderfalls "Crime Dog"		News		Friends [E]	Drew Carey
WJLA [7]	News [E]	ABC News	Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	Extreme Makeover: Home		Kingdom Hospital		Primetime Thursday (N) [E]		News [E]	Nightline [E]
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WHUT [32]	Glidepath to Recovery [E]		World News	MoneyWise	On Africa				World News	Tavis Smiley	Charlie Rose (N) [E]	
WBDC [50]	The Parkers	Steve Harvey	The Parkers	Steve Harvey	Steve Harvey	Like Family	Experiment	Experiment	Will & Grace	Just Shoot	Will & Grace	Blind Date (N)
A&E	City Confidential "Wellesley"		American Justice		Cold Case Files "Silent Witness: Innocence Lost" [E]				Other Man: Carolyn & Me		Third Watch [E]	
Animal	The Crocodile Hunter [E]		Kidding	Animals	The Jeff Corwin Experience		Most Extreme: Horrors [E]		Miami Animal Police (N)		The Jeff Corwin Experience	
BET	106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live			Johnson	The Parkers	The Parkers	106 & Park: Prime		Comicview		Nightly News	Maad Sports
Bravo	(4:30) "Liberty Heights" 'R'		The West Wing [E]		★ ★ "The Presidio" (1988, Suspense) Sean Connery. 'R'				Queer Eye for Straight Guy		The West Wing [E]	
Comedy	Late Night [E]		Daily Show	Mad TV [E]		Reel Comedy	Insomniac	South Park	South Park	Banzai (N) [E]	Daily Show	Tough Crowd
Court	NYPD Blue "Ice Follies" [E]		Hollywood	Cops [E]	Evidence	Evidence	Forensic	Evidence	The System		Forensic	Hollywood
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DISCH	Rescue 911	Rescue 911	Paramedics		Plastic Surgery		Love Around the World		Berman & Berman		Plastic Surgery	
Disney	Even Stevens	Sister, Sister	Sister, Sister	Lizzie	★ ★ "Jumping Ship" (2001) [E]		Kim Possible		Sister, Sister	Boy World	Kim Possible	Proud Family
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FX	Married...	Married...	Cops [E]	Cops [E]	★ ★ % "A Simple Plan" (1998, Drama) Bill Paxton, Billy Bob Thornton.					Cops [E]	Maxim's The Girl Next Door	
HGTV	Building	Landscapers	Curb Appeal	House	Weekend	Landscapers	Divine Design	Designers'	House	House	Home to Go	Design-Dime
Family	Full House	Full House	7th Heaven [E]		★ ★ % "The Sandler" (1993) Tom Guiry, Mike Vitar.				Whose Line?	Whose Line?	The 700 Club [E]	
History	Tales of the Gun [E]		Modern Marvels "Gasoline"		Stories From Hall of Fame		The Trial of Jesus (N) [E]		Real Pontius Pilate		The Shroud of Turin [E]	
Lifetime	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	The Nanny	The Nanny	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	"Summer of Fear" (1996) Gregory Harrison. [E]				Golden Girls	Golden Girls
MTV	Newlywed	Newlywed	Newlywed	Newlywed	Band II	Band II	Band II	Band II	Band II	Pimp Ride	Room Rdr	Room Rdr
NICK	U-Pick [E]	Romeo! [E]	Rugrats [E]	SpongeBob	Oddparents	Sabrina	Full House	Full House	Cosby Show	Cosby Show	Roseanne [E]	Roseanne [E]
SCI FI	Stargate SG-1 "Entity" [E]		"Riverworld" (2003) Brad Johnson, Emily Lloyd. [E]				Mad Mad House (N) [E]		Tripping-Rift	Tripping-Rift	Mad Mad House [E]	
SPIKE	Star Trek: Deep Space Nine		Star Trek: Deep Space Nine		Star Trek: Deep Space Nine		Extreme	Extreme	Extreme	Extreme	This Just In	Stripperella
TBS	Home Imp.	Seinfeld [E]	Friends [E]		MLB Baseball New York Mets at Atlanta Braves. From Turner Field in Atlanta. (Live)						★ ★ ★ "Contact" (1997) Jodie Foster. [E]	
TLC	Clean Sweep [E]		In a Fix "The Wired House"		Spymaster "Spy Skills"		In a Fix "Nick's Hell House"		In a Fix "The Fiesta House"		Spymaster "Spy Skills"	
TNT	Charmed "Dream Sorcerer"		NBA Tip-Off	NBA Basketball Orlando Magic at New Jersey Nets. (Live) [E]					NBA Basketball: Timberwolves at Kings			
USA	(4:00) Golf	Arrest & Trial	Law & Order		Golf The Masters -- First Round. [E]					Law & Order		Law & Order
VHI	Fabulous Life Of... [E]		100 Celeb Moments		100 Celeb Moments		100 Celeb Moments		100 Celeb Moments		VH1-Inside	Rock-Place
TELEM	Corte-Pueblo	Noticiero	"Joseph of Nazareth" (1999, Drama) Tobias Moretti.				"Mary Magdalene" (2001, Drama) Maria Grazia Cucinotta.		Noticiero Tel.		Laura	
UNIV	Viviana	Noticiero	Amar Otra Vez		Mariana de la Noche		Bajo la Misma Piel		Aquí y Ahora		Impacto	Noticiero
ESPN	SportsCenter (Live) [E]		Break Up the Bombers: The Yankees on Trial (N)						NHL Hockey: Conference Quarterfinal -- Teams TBA			
ESPN2	College Hockey NCAA Tournament Semifinal -- Boston College vs. Maine. (Live) [E]						NHL Hockey Conference Quarterfinal -- Teams to Be Announced. [E]				NHL 2Night	
CSN	NASCAR	SportsNite	Hall Fame	Pro View	Ballroom Boxing From Glen Burnie, Md. (Taped)				SportsNite	Orioles	Best Damn Sports Show	
CNN	Lou Dobbs Tonight		Anderson Cooper 360 [E]		Paula Zahn Now [E]		Larry King Live [E]		NewsNight-Aaron Brown		Lou Dobbs Tonight	
FNC	Special Report (Live) [E]		Fox Report-Shepard Smith		The O'Reilly Factor [E]		Hannity & Colmes [E]		On the Record		The O'Reilly Factor	
MSNBC	The Abrams Report (Live)		Hardball (Live) [E]		Countdown-Olbermann		Deborah Norville Tonight		Scarborough Country (Live)		Hardball [E]	
AMC	(5:30) ★ ★ ★ "Star Trek II: The Wrath of Khan" (1982)				★ ★ ★ "The Bravados" (1958) Gregory Peck. 'NR'				★ ★ ★ "The Undeclared" (1969, Western) John Wayne. 'G'			
TCM	★ ★ ★ "Du Barry Was a Lady" (1943) Red Skelton. 'NR'				★ ★ % "Girl Crazy" (1943) Mickey Rooney. 'NR' [E]				★ ★ ★ "Babes on Broadway" (1941) Mickey Rooney. 'NR'			
HBO	★ ★ ★ "Drumline" (2002) Nick Cannon. [E] 'PG-13' [E]				★ % "Swimfan" (2002) Jesse Bradford. [E]		★ ★ "Old School" (2003) Luke Wilson. 'R'				Real Sex 28	
MAX	Quality-Mercy	★ ★ ★ "Kiss of Death" (1995) [E] 'R' [E]			(:15) ★ ★ ★ "Risky Business" (1983) Tom Cruise. 'R' [E]				★ ★ ★ "Unfaithful" (2002) Richard Gere. [E] 'R' [E]			
SHO	Extreme	★ % "The Inkwell" (1994) Larenz Tate. iTV. [E] 'R' [E]			(:25) ★ ★ ★ "Menace II Society" (1993) 'R'				Penn & Teller	Penn & Teller	Boxing: Hatton vs. Pinto	
TMC	(:15) ★ % "In God's Hands" (1998) Patrick Shane Dorian.				★ ★ ★ % "Get Shorty" (1995) John Travolta.				The Crocodile Hunter: Collision Course		(:15) ★ "Showgirls" (1995)	
STARZ!	(5:00) "Anger Management"		(6:50) ★ ★ "Tears of the Sun" (2003) Bruce Willis. [E] 'R'				★ ★ ★ "Undercover Brother" (2002) 'PG-13'		★ "Jason X" (2002) Lexa Doig. 'R' [E]			
ENCORE	(4:50) ★ ★ % "XXX" (2002)		The Directors [E]		★ ★ "Big Fat Liar" (2002) Frankie Muniz.				★ ★ ★ ★ "Platoon" (1986, Drama) Tom Berenger. 'R' [E]			(:35) Sirens

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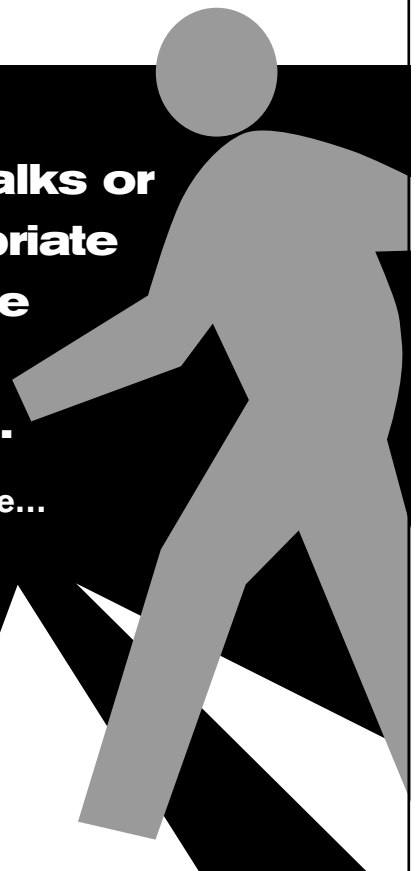
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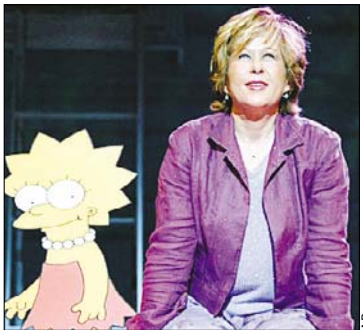
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People

CHICKENS
He'll Do Anything for Money
DONALD TRUMP battled a live chicken on Tuesday. The real estate mogul showed up at his namesake Trump 29 Casino in Coachella, Calif., and played the Apprentice Chicken Challenge, a tic-tac-toe game with live poultry in a booth pecking its board selections while a gambler makes picks outside the box. The Donald beat the bird and won \$250. (AP)



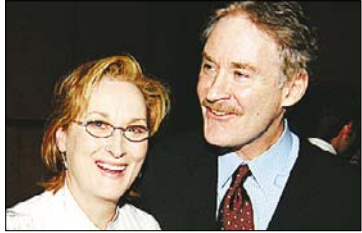
A week haunted by poultry: Trump fires "Saturday Night Live" chickens.



And all this time we thought "Yeardley" was a man's name. The truth hurts.

WAITS
Lisa Won't Age, But We Will
Writers are working on "The Simpsons" movie right now, said **YEARDLEY SMITH**, who provides the voice for **LISA**. But they won't start making the film until after the series is over — and she says the series still has at least two seasons to go. Once the show is over, Smith said, it will still be at least three years before the movie hits theaters because "animation takes forever." (AP)

POETS
Famous People Can Read!
MERYL STREEP and Sen. Edward M. Kennedy led an A-list lineup Tuesday night in the second annual Poetry & the Creative Mind, delivered to a full house at Lincoln Center. Eleven readers chose works by dead American poets in an evening dedicated to the late George Plimpton. Among the celebrities were Mary-Louise Parker, who asked the audience to close their eyes for her renditions of Anne Sexton and W.H. Auden, and **KEVIN KLINE**, who announced, "You may open your eyes. Please put your hands over your ears." (AP)



Sexton is turning in her grave, thought Meryl glumly. Geez, Mary-Louise.



FRED PROUSER/REUTERS

VOICES
In PETA's Crosshairs
Country singer **TRACE ADKINS** has gotten some good-natured ribbing from fans since he became the voice for KFC's national television campaign last month. "I had a woman come up to me at one of my shows recently and say, 'You know, I've had this uncontrollable urge to eat more

chicken lately. Do you know why that is?'" Adkins said Tuesday. The 42-year-old native of Springhill, La., says the ads challenge him to tame his deep drawl. "I have to try to sound professional and not like I have a mouthful of snuff," he said. (AP)



ADDICTS
Painkillers. What a Surprise
Wilco singer-songwriter **JEFF TWEEDY** has entered rehab for addiction to painkillers, a spokeswoman for the band said. To accommodate his recovery, the band's label has moved its release date of Wilco's latest album, "A Ghost Is Born," from June 8 to June 22. (AP)

STARS
Money Can Buy Anything
Because **TED TURNER** is now a global player who hangs with heads of state and the United Nations, it's easy to forget that he founded TBS, a once-vital source of "Little House on the Prairie" reruns, and that he married Jane Fonda. But Hollywood remembers, and awarded him a Walk of Fame star on Wednesday. (EXPRESS)

5 Day Forecast for the Washington Area

Today

Mostly cloudy; rain and drizzle
58°

Tonight

Rain for a time; breezy later
44°

Friday

Partly sunny, windy, warmer
64° / 44°

Saturday

Increasingly cloudy; rain at night
62° / 44°

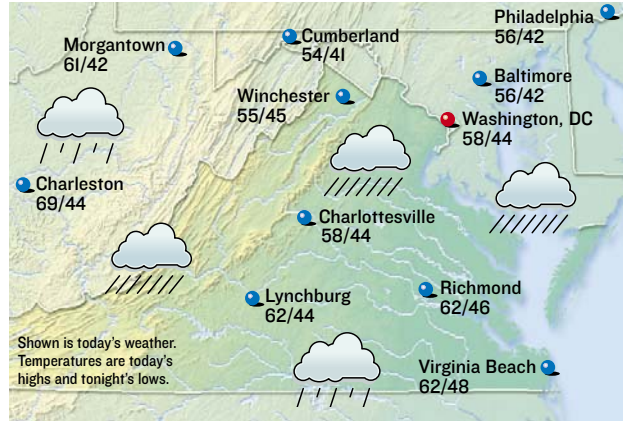
Sunday

Cloudy, cool; rain for a time
54° / 44°

Monday

Cloudy; more rain and drizzle
56° / 44°

Regional Weather



Almanac

Washington, D.C., through 4 p.m. Wed.
Temperature
High 76°
Low 47°
Normal high 64°
Normal low 43°
Average humidity 38%

Precipitation
24 hours ending 4 p.m. Trace
Month to date 1.32"
Normal month to date 0.66"
Year to date 7.04"
Last year to date 14.27"
Normal year to date 10.21"

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Regional Forecast

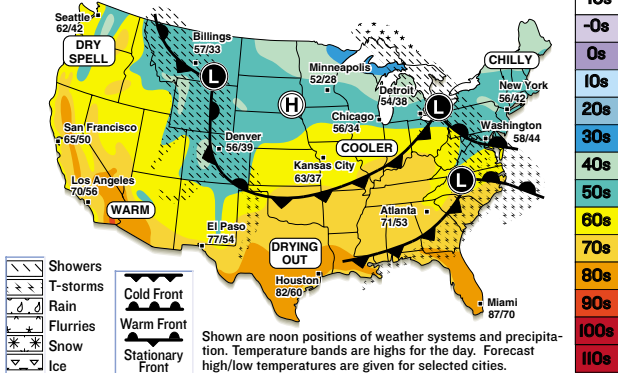
D.C. Metro: Today, becoming cloudy, followed by rain and drizzle. High 58. Wind east to southeast 6-12 mph. Tonight, cloudy, rain, drizzle. Low 44.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today 6:42 a.m.
Sunset tonight 7:39 p.m.
Moonrise today 11:56 p.m.
Moonset today 8:36 a.m.



National Weather for Thursday, April 8



National Cities

City	Today	Fri.
Atlanta	Hi/Low/W 71/53/sh	76/54/s
Boston	55/39/s	49/39/sh
Chicago	56/34/pc	50/32/pc
Dallas	78/58/pc	79/53/t
Denver	56/39/sh	53/25/sh
Honolulu	83/71/pc	84/71/sh
Los Angeles	70/56/pc	70/56/pc
Miami	87/70/sh	87/70/t
New York City	56/42/r	55/42/r
Orlando	84/62/sh	84/64/pc
Seattle	62/42/s	68/44/s

World Cities

City	Today	Fri.
Amsterdam	46/38/sh	49/40/pc
Athens	69/56/pc	71/59/c
Berlin	50/29/sh	50/38/sh
Buenos Aires	77/59/pc	68/59/c
Calgary	46/31/r	42/25/c
Dublin	48/39/pc	51/36/sh
Geneva	46/34/sh	48/37/sh
Moscow	46/31/c	48/28/r
Rome	61/42/pc	57/43/r
Sydney	71/51/pc	75/56/pc
Tokyo	57/43/pc	62/54/s

s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

Playback

Letters

TO THE EDITOR

IT'S GREAT THAT EXPRESS decided to feature National Tartan Week, but couldn't you have picked a better example of kilt-wearing masculinity than Stone Phillips? (People, April 7). With his kilt hose pulled up way past his knees, a sporran (the bag strapped to the waist) meant only for pipe band members and a jacket that could've come from Michael Jackson's "Shades of Sgt. Pepper" collection, it's obvious that Stone needs a little more tutoring. Next time, stick with a Scot who knows his stuff.

—PATRICK J. WILSON
Washington, D.C.

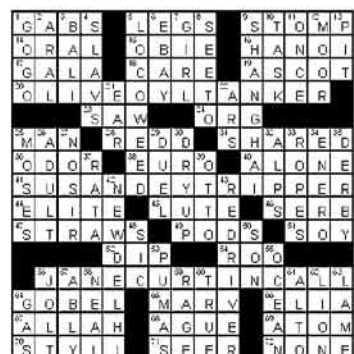
IN A LETTER published in Wednesday's paper, the writer suggests that "many riders will abandon Metro altogether" if Metro increases rates. I don't agree with a fare hike, but to state that people will stop riding Metro is completely unrealistic. Most people use mass transit because they can't afford the alternative. I don't know anyone that wants to fight rush-hour traffic and then pay at least \$25 to park downtown. Until my Metro rates increase over the cost of driving to work daily, I will continue to ride.

—KEVIN DUNN
Baltimore, Md.

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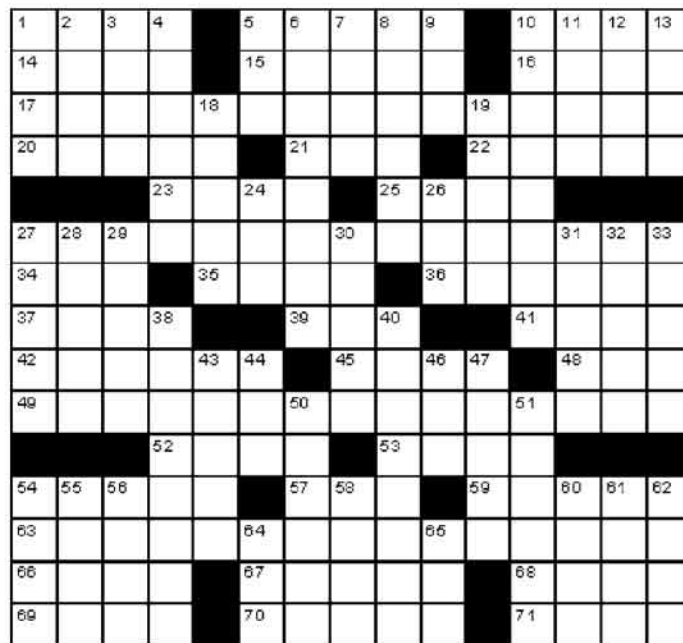
Yesterday's Solution



Crossword Puzzle: Following the News | Edited by Timothy E. Parker

ACROSS

- 1 "All in the Family" producer
- 5 Pale-faced
- 10 Lasses' companions
- 14 Fairy tale start
- 15 Strong adhesive
- 16 Snack item since 1912
- 17 Two following the news
- 20 Small intestine division
- 21 Middling grade
- 22 Type of common denominator
- 23 Descend
- 25 College sr.'s exam, perhaps
- 27 Three following the news
- 34 Become older
- 35 Did away with, biblically
- 36 Naval base builder
- 37 Purges
- 39 Body pouch
- 41 Min. fractions
- 42 Go by, as time
- 45 Blackjack dealer's device
- 48 Word with down or key
- 49 Two following the news



- 52 What a tartan symbolizes
- 53 Goddess of the earth
- 54 Diarist Nin
- 57 Matter of law
- 59 Spanish resort island
- 63 Three following the news
- 66 Douglas or Wallace
- 67 Come to a consensus
- 68 At the highest point
- 69 "The Good Earth" heroine
- 70 Stiller's partner
- 71 Dundee toppers
- DOWN**
- 1 Scenes of activity
- 2 Organic compound
- 3 Teen's affliction
- 4 Just say no
- 5 ___ Lingus
- 6 Trout features
- 7 Use a strop
- 8 Outshines the competition
- 9 "Science Guy" Bill
- 10 Lynn and Swit

- 11 Leontyne Price piece
- 12 "Disco Duck" singer
- 13 Like an infidel's hands, supposedly
- 18 Sultans' associates
- 19 Nonchalant
- 24 Ravens org.
- 26 Librarian's utterances
- 27 Apple gadget
- 28 Like a good gymnast
- 29 Bicycle feature
- 30 Partly submerged
- 31 Ancient critical printing marks
- 32 Scout's mission, for short
- 33 "___ Have No Bananas"
- 38 Dissected frog, perhaps
- 40 More lame, as a joke
- 43 Chips go-with
- 44 Spaniard's "that"
- 46 Dinghy adjunct
- 47 Rocker Money
- 50 Send into a tizzy
- 51 Many a maze runner
- 54 BBs and .22s, e.g.
- 55 It may be acrylic
- 56 "Eso Beso (That Kiss!)" singer
- 58 II Chronicles follower
- 60 Least little bit
- 61 Camera feature
- 62 Roadie's burden
- 64 Leg, slangily
- 65 Teacher's org.

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Horoscope | Stella Wilder

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Someone from your past may make a surprise demand. You have what it takes to come through.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — The unpredictable and the unconventional, though intriguing, are really not for you in the long run. Focus on achieving more stability.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — You may be hard to pin down, so interested are you in exploring all your options. There is no reason to limit yourself — just yet.

CANCER (June 21-July 21) — You may be unusually accident-prone, so you'll want to keep your wits about you as you travel. Take precautions.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — You'll get a head start, and enjoy a little more time off when you most need it as a result of putting in some early efforts.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — You'll receive an important boost from someone who will give your efforts a little more credibility.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Any unusual behavior on your part will arouse suspicions in those closest to you. Play it safe.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — You can expect an equitable distribution of responsibility — but you may want to take on a little more later in the day.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — You can

use your imagination and increase your own prestige and possibly add a little to your available funds as well.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — You may discover that you've been remembered for something you did some time ago. Check your calendar and see if you're available.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Your willingness to go the distance will serve you well; someone is watching you, ready to make an important decision about your future.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) — A partnership may be threatened for a time, but a little trust and even more hard work can keep a crisis at bay.

LIVE ONLINE

Iraqi Uprising

From washingtonpost.com/liveonline

Washington Post intelligence reporter **DANA PRIEST** was online Wednesday to discuss the situation in Iraq.

What's the worst case scenario in Iraq and how close are we to it? I'm terrified reading the latest reports of Iran and Hezbollah supporting Shiite cleric Muqtada al-Sadr. What are the chances of a Muslim uprising against coalition forces in the Middle East?

Looks like this is not going away anytime soon and that intelligence and the military grossly underestimated if not Sadr's capability, than the following he could elicit. Don't think you'll see it spread to other Middle Eastern countries, though.

What are the odds that there could be a civil war in Iraq between the rival factions?

That's certainly possible, but the odd wrinkle in what we're seeing now is the cooperation between Sunni and Shiite. Probably that's tactical, short-term. They are all vying to occupy the political vacuum.

The idea of a June 30 deadline for the transfer of power in Iraq is troubling, considering recent events. Are there any conditions under which the Bush administration would extend that time frame?

Really, anything is possible at this point, including an extension. Perhaps the more likely option is that they have a symbolic turnover, with the United States still in charge of most things.

As a 20-year-old male college student, I'm very concerned about the draft being reinstated to make troop rotation easier.

I don't think you have to worry about a draft. That's the last thing any presidential candidate in office would want to do before an election.

Today on Live Online

11 A.M.: Washington Post staff writer Walter Pincus discusses National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice's 9/11 commission testimony.

1 P.M.: Del. Harry J. Parrish (R) discusses the tax bill some Republicans hope will break the budget deadlock in the Virginia House of Delegates.

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